

AUG. 05 '03 (TUE) 16:53

ALSTON & BIRD

TEL: 919 420 2260

P. 003

7/a
Dmt
8-15-03

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No.: 09/930,905
Applicants: Privalle *et al.*
Filed: August 16, 2001
Art Unit: 1654
Examiner: J. Russel
Title: METHODS FOR THE SYNTHESIS OF A MODIFIED HEMOGLOBIN SOLUTION

Confirmation No.: 1628

Docket No.: 35780/238028 (5780-4)
Customer No.: 00826

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**AMENDMENT
37 C.F.R. § 1.121**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 5, 2003, Applicants respectfully request reexamination and reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks. The Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the following amendments:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

RTA01/2137770v1

Received from <919 420 2260> at 8/5/03 4:58:56 PM [Eastern Daylight Time]